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an upper sleeve movably disposed about an upper section of said barrel;
a lower sleeve movably disposed about a lower section of said barrel; and
a moving mechanism functionally connected for moving said slip in engaging contact
with and from said tubular member wherein a portion of said moving mechanism is connected
to said upper and lower sleeve and said slip[s].

REMARKS

Claims 1-3, 6-10, 13-15, 21-23, 29-32 have been allowed. Applicant has cancelled the above listed claims 4, 11, 12, 16, 18, 19, 20, 33-36 in accord with the Examiner's comments. Replacement sheets for the modified claims section are attached hereto.

Applicant has amended Claim 15 to include the elements of Claim 18 (Claims 15 and 18 were allowed) to avoid Claim 15 being the same as Claim 29 (Claim 29 was allowed). Claim 18 was accordingly canceled.

Claim 24 has been amended in accord with the Examiner's comments to eliminate the confusion noted by the Examiner between the first mentioned "sleeve" and the later mentioned upper and lower sleeves. Please note that because the moving mechanism also references the sleeve, it was necessary to make a revision to this line also. Applicant respectfully believes that the amendments to Claim 24 place Claims 24-28 in condition for allowance.

If for some reason the Examiner believes that an Examiner's amendment is necessary to correct any remaining informalities to thereby place the application in condition for allowance, Applicant's attorney kindly requests the Examiner to proceed accordingly.

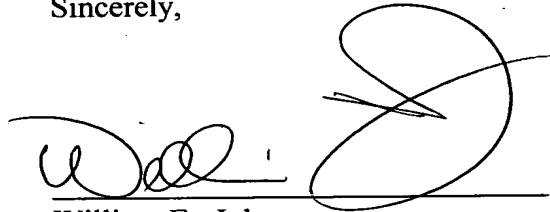
CONCLUSION

Applicant extends thanks for the Examiner's kindness and suggestions. Further,

Applicant believes the application is now patentable over the cited references and that all objections and rejections have been cured.

Sincerely,

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